

BIG LEVEE CONTRACT WILL BE LET TODAY

47,000 Cubic Yards of Earth Will Be Constructed Across The River

Contracts will be let this morning in St. Louis for an immense levee and drainage undertaking in the East Cape Girardeau and Clear Creek Drainage District of Illinois.

The bids will be received and opened by Clark S. Smith, Major Engineer of the Mississippi River Commission.

About 47,500 cubic yards of earth work will be constructed and many miles of drainage ditches will be excavated.

The work will begin about one mile from the Illinois Central depot at McClure, and will extend a mile toward the river. The work will consist largely of moving back and enlarging the present levee, and an immense amount of construction of new levee.

R. H. Hutchison, a Chicago contractor, who has been making the Cape his headquarters while inspecting the prospective field of labor, departed for St. Louis this morning to be present when the bids are opened.

Mr. Hutchison is hopeful of securing the contract, and in an interview with a Tribune representative, expressed his belief that the work when completed would prove of inestimable value not only to the farmers of East Cape, but to the business interests of this city as well, as great areas that have heretofore been useless will be converted into farming lands, the product of which will be largely marketed in the Cape.

Mr. Hutchison is an extensive contractor and at this time has three large drag line machines in operation in Northern Illinois, and one in Northern Arkansas.

KENTUCKY CATTLE HAVE THE PINK EYE

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 25—(Special)—The Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station has just issued an instructive bulletin concerning "pink eye," or contagious ophthalmia in cattle, which it states is now prevalent in all parts of Kentucky. The bulletin which was prepared by Robert Graham, describes the symptoms, treatment and methods of preventing herds contracting the disease, which is described as highly contagious. The bulletin is as follows:

"The Experiment Station has been repeatedly called upon to answer inquiries concerning an outbreak of contagious ophthalmia which is at present prevalent over the entire state of Kentucky. This condition is sometimes known as 'pink eye,' and attacks in rapid succession a large portion of the herd. It is distinctly a contagious disease and may originate by the purchase of a new animal which is already affected, and from that animal it may be spread to all the remaining cattle in the herd. The condition is more prevalent in the hot summer months, especially during a period of drought similar to the one experienced throughout the entire state this summer.

Symptoms of Disease.

"The condition is usually first noticed by a profuse discharge of tears from both eyes, which constantly keeps both sides of the face moist. The eyelids are swollen, painful to pressure, and invariably closed, especially so in intense sunlight. These symptoms are usually accompanied by a slight elevation in temperature, loss of appetite and a diminution in the flow of milk. If the condition is left to go untreated the discharge from the eyes assumes a purulent form, usually accompanied by a slight cloudiness in the cornea.

"Affected animals should be isolated in a cool, dark portion of the barn and given from one to one and one-half pounds Glauber's salts as a drench, and one tablespoonful potassium nitrate added to each six gallons of drinking water. In addition, the eye symptoms are best treated by washing the eyes out twice each day with a 4 per cent. solution of boric acid, but this may be substituted by a 1 to 100 solution of silver nitrate once a day. In severe cases where the lesions of the cornea are present this latter treatment is to be preferred.

"Whenever this condition appears in the herd the healthy animals should be immediately removed to a new pasture, given a laxative diet and provided with fresh drinking water.

"Contagious ophthalmia is usually not a severe disease when properly treated, and the above recommendations, if properly applied, should bring the outbreak to a close."

L. J. Metzger of St. Louis, transacted business in this city yesterday.

BELLEVUE STREET ANGRERS RESIDENTS

Pile of Crushed Stone Almost Closes Thoroughfare—Bloom-Causes Protest Also.

A number of citizens have complained of the carelessness displayed by some of the contractors engaged in the work of improving the streets in different sections of the city.

Residents living on Bellevue street, near the crossing of Fountain street have expressed dissatisfaction on the ground that large quantities of crushed stone intended to be used in the improvement of Fountain street have been piled upon Bellevue in such manner as to almost close the passage, and that at night travel is made dangerous for the reason that no red lights are placed near the obstruction. It is also claimed that the piling of this stone on the tarred surface of Bellevue street causes holes and bumps to be formed after the stone has been dug out of the soft covering of the street.

Complaint has also been made by residents along Bloomfield street, where it is claimed that for two nights in succession no signal lights were used and the mouth of the street was left open while it was pitted with deep holes and traversed with numerous small ditches. In this particular locality there are no traffic lights, and the street is very dark. Two people living in the vicinity are reported to have fallen into ditches in this unguarded section, one of whom is said to have been quite seriously injured.

OAK RIDGE STOCK HUGE.

Two stockmen from Oak Ridge have the two largest cattle at the fair. Mr. Clippard brought in a Hereford that weighed 2,050 pounds and a short time later, Mr. Crites arrived with a short horn that weighed 2,390 pounds, the largest that was ever exhibited at the fair.

Dr. Howard, another Oak Ridge resident, is showing a pen of five-month old shoats that are attracting unusual attention.

MISSOURI GETS MOST CASH.

Washington, Sept. 30—The Treasury Department has deposited \$13,029,746 in 23 states for fall crop moving purposes up to Sept. 28, according to an announcement by Secretary McAdoo. Of this sum, Missouri has taken the largest amount, \$1,550,000, with Maryland second, \$1,450,000.

The other states and amounts follow: Alabama, \$300,000; Arkansas, \$175,000; Florida, \$81,250; Georgia, \$368,750; Kentucky, \$1,375,000; Louisiana, \$700,000; Mississippi, \$150,000; North Carolina, \$456,250; South Carolina, \$525,000; Tennessee, \$675,000; Texas, \$793,750; Virginia, \$798,750; Colorado, \$499,996; Illinois, \$1,200,000; Kansas, \$25,000; Nebraska, \$325,000; Oklahoma, \$93,500; Washington, \$87,500; New York, \$1,000,000.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Rev. Campbell talked to the high school Friday morning, on the "Draw of Tomorrow." Tomorrow, as stated by him, is the age of thirty and the draw, the taxation and the strain on our physical, intellectual, moral and spiritual resources. When this time comes it will be necessary for us to have capital stock in each department. The work that the pupils do now in the high school helps to prepare for this time, and builds up this capital. The high school orchestra played several numbers, before and after the address. This orchestra is a splendid one, and is a credit to any school.

The suits for the football team have arrived. They are in the colors of the school, orange and black. With these suits the boys feel they are ready for good, hard work.

A jolly crowd of the high school students attended the football game Tuesday at Jackson between Cape and Jackson teams. Cape was victorious over Jackson, the score being 6 to 0. This shows the excellent training the team has received from the coach, Mr. Dearmont and Dr. Kimbro, who have worked hard to make the team a success. In the Cape team are:

Howard Hines, Raymond Beckman, Oscar Shivelbine, Russel McBride, Ralph Reed, Pearl Tibbs, Arthur Cairns, Adolph Taubert, Charles Black, Clyde McDonald, Durce McNeely, Paul Reary, Ed Lilly.

Interesting work is being done in Miss Davis' civics class. They have been studying town government and

FAIR GROUNDS ARE READY FOR FAIR

Concessions Completed and Many Entries Are Here—Record Crowds Expected.

The Fair Grounds are ready for the opening tomorrow morning. The concessions are completed and many of the entries are in. All that is lacking now to make a fair is the crowd and that will be here tomorrow.

J. T. Nunn, Sr., Superintendent of the Fair Association and David A. Glenn, the president, are firm in the belief that this exhibition will eclipse all former large crowds and much interest.

Mr. Nunn has been on the grounds each day for more than a week, supervising the work of constructing the concessions and watching to be sure was transferred to Charleston, Mo. Rev. Dr. John A. Rice of Fort Worth, Tex., has been appointed to succeed Rev. Dr. Lee at St. John's.

Dr. Ivan L. Holt was returned to his old pastorate at Cape Girardeau for another year.

The charges were announced Monday at the close of the St. Louis Convention that every one got the location that was contracted for. Joe T. Nunn, Jr., Secretary of the Association, is still getting requests for exhibit space on the grounds. "I could dispose of twice the amount that I have," he said last night.

"The interest in this fair has been greater than in all of my recollection. If we get four days of clear weather, there will be more people there than we can count. Our exhibits will surpass those of any year, and the quality of the livestock will be as good as can be seen at a state fair. I believe we will have a great many attractions that will not be equaled at Sedalia."

Roy Francis, the sky pilot, is busy erecting his fort, which he will bombard from the clouds. He changed his plans somewhat concerning this battle yesterday. He and members of the fair board yesterday agreed to produce a sham battle between the aeroplane and a corps of men who will be stationed in the fort.

He will drop imitation bombs at the fort and in return they will fire at him. Those in the fort will discharge huge bombs that will produce somewhat the same effect as the skyrocket. This will give the exhibition a more vivid tinge of reality.

"I know there has never been another such a feat attempted at a county fair anywhere," said Mr. Francis last night. "This is an expensive scheme and it shows just to what limits the fair promoters will go to please the people. This sham battle will give the spectators an idea of what a real battle between an aeroplane and a fortress looks like."

"I am afraid to carry the same variety of bombs that will be fired at me, because if I should happen to hit the fort, someone might be injured. That would make the event entirely too realistic. However, it will be well worth seeing."

have elected a town council of members from their class.

The election resulted in Mayor, Thomas Williams; Councilmen of first ward, Inez Parr, Agnes Armstrong; councilmen of 2nd ward, Justine Wasson, Esther Beihemer; councilmen of 3rd ward, Marion Hall, Sarah Howard; councilmen of 4th ward, Nita Hudson, Edna Bierschwal.

The students to qualify for voting had to pass an examination on town government. This council will meet next week for business.

Many interesting bills are to be brought up. The Mayor, Thomas Williams, intends to make a law against automobile speeding and to repeal the curfew law. In opposition to him Howard Hines intends to enforce the curfew law, as he is of age.

The work of the high school is represented at the fair by several pieces of furniture made by classe under Mr. Whitledge, the manual training teacher. Four first prizes were taken on them, three being given to Irwin Knehan, one of our seniors.

A. A. Ebert and family of Sikeston, were in the city yesterday visiting the fair.

Trenton White of Bloomfield, was a Cape visitor yesterday.

HERMAN PETZOLD CAN'T MISS FAIR

Man Who Has Been Operating Threshing Machine 44 Years, Tells Experiences

Herman Petzold of Pocahontas, one of the oldest and most prominent farmers in the northern part of this county, arrived in the Cape Tuesday, in pursuance of his long established custom of making an annual visit to the city during fair week.

Mr. Petzold in conversing with a Tribune representative yesterday, stated that he had been engaged in the farming industry in this county since he was 19 years of age, and that for 44 consecutive seasons he has operated a threshing machine throughout the neighborhood in which he lives.

In speaking of the improved methods now applied in that particular feature of the agricultural pursuit, Mr. Petzold stated that when he first entered the work, the power of operating his machine was generated by the old primitive horse tread mill, which was later displaced by a device to which horses were attached and driven around a circular track. Later the steam engine was adopted, and was pulled from one threshing yard to another by means of horses or oxen. This method of transportation was improved upon, when the traction or self-propelling engine was brought into use, when the horses were entirely dispensed with, except to steer or guide the engine as it traveled from one farm to another. He stated that he wore out two engines of this character before the advent of the improved self-steering design, and has at last discarded the steam engine entirely for the more desirable gasoline power machine.

He stated that the threshing machine has also passed through about the same degrees of improvement, until at this time there is scarcely a noticeable feature of resemblance in the primitive equipment with which he began his threshing career and the modern outfit with which he now carries on the work.

MO. MINE CAVES IN 50 MEN ARE SAVED

Ten Acres of Ground Falls Into Hole, Burying Miners and Houses.

(Special Dispatch to The Tribune.)

Joplin, Mo., Oct. 1—Fifty men narrowly escaped being entombed in a mine here tonight when ten acres of ground which had been undermined by the workmen caved in.

A powder magazine, oil hoist, sludge mill and several residences went down with the collapse of the earth. The noise was heard for a distance of several miles.

The men were working shaft No. Three of the American Mine, and they were 250 feet underground when the crust of the earth dropped in on them. Many of the miners climbed 250 feet up ladders on cribbing of the shaft to escape with their lives.

Others were fished out of the hole unconscious through shaft number three. Only eight of the fifty men were seriously injured, but quite a number of others were more or less hurt.

Had the cave in happened during the day it would have cost the lives of several hundred men. The biggest part of the force had gone home for the night, and the shift that was at work in the cavity when the earth dropped, were known as the night workmen.

The cause of the collapse of the mines is not known, but it is believed to have been due to the fact that the whole section had been dug out and the walls left standing were not strong enough to bear the strain of their load.

O. F. Reddick of Bloomfield, visited friends in this city yesterday.

James Arnold of Benton, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

James Crosser of Bloomfield, visited friends in this city yesterday.

H. R. Roth of Quincy, transacted business in this city yesterday.

Helen Cook, Carry Myers, C. C. Schonoff and Joe Schonoff of Advance, are in the city attending the fair.

R. H. Tesreau of Chaffee, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

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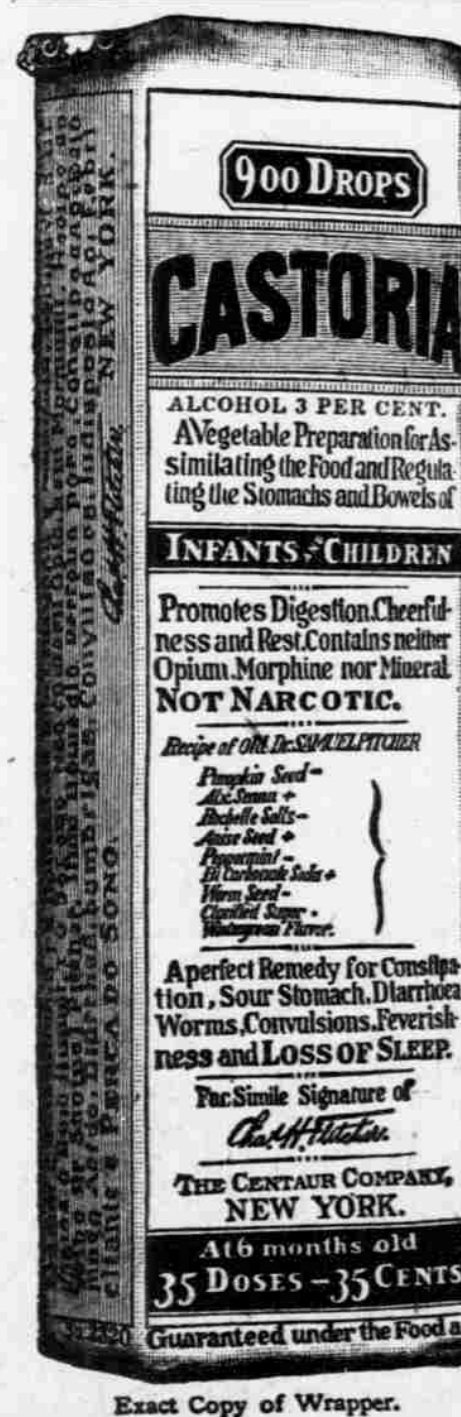
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R. B. Myers of Advance, was in the city yesterday attending the fair.

Halleck Wilson, deputy sheriff of Scott county and special agent for the Cotton Belt Railroad company, came up from Illmo yesterday on a business trip.

Tom Hawkins of Commerce, visited friends in this city yesterday.

Thomas Taylor of St. Louis, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

H. D. Harfield of St. Louis, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

E. H. Barny of Chaffee, visited friends in this city yesterday.

Clyde Simers of Hayti, was in the Cape yesterday on a business trip.

E. M. Hammel of St. Louis, transacted business in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison of Grand Tower, were Cape visitors yesterday.